

RCAP Project Highlights



Where:
Tilton, NH

Problem:
Solid Waste Management



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In order to avoid rising disposal costs and reduce their impact on the environment, Tilton's Recycling Committee is evaluating different municipal programs that would decrease the amount of waste that households generate. They currently have a curbside pick-up for garbage, but residents have to go out of their way to a drop off facility to dispose of recyclables. The committee would like to begin curbside pick-up of recycling for convenience, implement a Pay-as-you-throw program to add an incentive for waste reduction, and develop an educational campaign that will inspire people to care about the environment.

The committee knew what they wanted to do, but they did not have the experience to do it on their own so they asked RCAP Solutions for help. RCAP has been an asset to the committee since the initial training on the economic viability of Pay-as-you-throw and Curbside recycling back in November 2010. Our educational and technical assistance has included: designing a Pay-as-you-throw program; developing several savings analyses; helping to write warrant articles and requests for proposals; connecting them with other knowledgeable people in the area; conducting several public presentations; creating many informational handouts; and providing insights and alternatives to their many questions. The committee now feels very confident and prepared to present their household waste reduction plan to the town for a vote, and they have frequently expressed their gratitude for the invaluable assistance provided by RCAP Solutions along the way.

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